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FOR: USE OF ALPHA-KERATOSE AS A
BLOOD PLASMA EXPANDER

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I believe that I am an original, first and sole inventor of the subject
matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled
Use of Alpha-Keratose as a Blood Plasma Expander, the specification of which is
filed herewith;

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the
above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment
referred to above.

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